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1. GUIDELINES FOR EXPERTS MEETING. DEPARTMENT NOTES FROM
REFTEL THAT UK PLANS TO INCORPORATE JAPANESE ADDITION TO
EXPERTS MEETING GUIDELINES IN COMPREHENSIVE GUIDELINES
DOCUMENT TO BE PRESENTED AT NINTH CONSULTATIVE MEETING,

NOT BEFORE. SINCE IT WAS OUR UNDERSTANDING FROM FINAL REPORT OF PARIS SPECIAL PREPCOM THAT GUIDELINES SHOULD BE AGREED WELL IN ADVANCE OF NINTH MEETING, WE QUESTION WHETHER UK PLAN MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE CONSULTATIVE PARTIES. ADDITIONAL JAPANESE LANGUAGE APPEARS TO MELD EXPERTS GUIDELINES MORE CLOSELY WITH THOSE OF SCAR'S EAMREA GROUP OF SPECIALISTS, A DUPLICATION WHICH WE AND UK HAD SOUGHT TO AVOID. EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK CLARIFICATION FROM UK (HEAP) OF RATIONALE FOR THIS PLAN AND INFORM HIM OF OUR CLEAR PREFERENCE FOR TEXT OF GUIDELINES CONTAINED IN ANT/EPM 12.

2. SCENARIO FOR SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN HOW UK PLANS TO STRUCTURE THE SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING, INCLUDING WHETHER THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC OPENING SESSION. WE FAVOR A MEETING AT WHICH OPENING FORMALITIES, IF REQUIRED, ARE KEPT TO A MINIMUM. THIS WOULD IN OUR VIEW NOT ONLY REDUCE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC POSTURING BUT ALSO ALLOW THE MEETING TO GET RIGHT DOWN TO WORK.

3. CLASSIFICATION OF CONFERENCE RECORDS. AT THE SECOND EXTENDED PREPARATORY MEETING IN JULY WE PLAN TO INTRODUCE AN AGENDA ITEM AND POSSIBLY A PAPER DEALING WITH THE QUESTION OF CLASSIFICATION OF CONSULTATIVE MEETING RECORDS. EMBASSY SHOULD ADVISE UK OF THIS AND INDICATE THAT U.S. REP AT JUNE 16 MONTHLY MEETING WILL STATE OUR INTENTION IN ORDER THAT OTHERS MAY BE AWARE OF THIS QUESTION PRIOR TO THE JULY MEETING. WE BELIEVE THE MATTER OF GREATER CONFIDENTIAL

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PUBLIC ACCESS TO CONSULTATIVE MEETING INFORMATION IS BECOMING MORE PRESSING AS INTEREST IN ANTARCTICA GROWS.

4. DEPARTMENT HAS NOW RECEIVED COPY OF HEAP'S TRIP REPORT POUCHED BY EMBASSY AND HAS FOUND REPORT TO BE VERY INFORMATIVE AND USEFUL. PLEASE EXPRESS OUR THANKS TO DR. HEAP. VANCE

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